The Daily Courant.

Thurſday, December 31. 1702.

From the Leiden Gazette, dated Dec. 21.

FROM Venice of the 8th inſtant, 'tis adviſ'd, that the Republick are making great Preparations of War by Land and Sea, that the French Frigates which were commanded by the Chevalier de Fourbin no longer infeſt the Gulph of Venice; and that the Officer who commands in Fourbin's Abſence, has ſent back to Naples the 1200 Land Soldiers, which were taken on Board that Squadron ſome time ago.

From the Amſterdam Courant, dated Dec. 23.

Rome, Dec. 2. On Wedneſday laſt the Pope ſent for Cardinal Grimani, and told him that 600 Imperial Horſe were advanc'd into the Province of Ferrara, but that he expected they ſhould be order'd to withdraw out of it without delay, otherwiſe he himſelf would take proper Meaſures to preſerve that Country. The Spaniſh Ambaſſador acquainted the Pope in an Audience that he had of him lately, that he ſhould ſhortly be recall'd from his Embaſſy, and that the Marquis de los Balbaſes will come in his Place. There is a report of the Pope's having choſen Legates a Latere to endeavour to re-eſtabliſh Peace among the Potentates of Chriſtendom, that Cardinal Barberini is to go to the Emperor, Cardinal Pamfilio to the King of Spain, Cardinal Acciaioli to the King of France, and Cardinal Santa Croce to the King of Poland.

Venice, Dec. 9. The Advices this Week from the 2 Armies are, that Prince Eugene has his Head-Quarters at Sermite, and has ſo diſpos'd his Troops into Winter Quarters, that in a very few days, if occaſion be, he can draw them all together; and that ſince the taking of Borgoforte by the French, Proviſions that were much wanted, and were grown very dear, have been brought into Mantua from all ſides, and are now cheap enough in that City.

From the Leide Gazette, dated Dec. 28.

Rome, Dec. 9. The Cardinal de Fourbin, has communicated to the Pope by Order of the King his Maſter, a Project for making a Peace with the Potentates confederated againſt himſelf and the King of Spain. His Holineſs has written about it to the Emperor, exhorting him to take it into his conſideration; and talks of ſending Legates a Latere to thoſe three Princes.

From the Amſterdam Courant, dated Dec. 30.

Venice, Dec. 15. We have Advice, That the Imperial Army in Italy hath receiv'd a conſiderable Sum of Money, that thoſe Forces are in no want of Proviſions, but that Forrage is ſcarce with them. The Imperialiſts continue to fortifie Governolo, in which they have 4 Regiments of Horſe, beſides Huſſars and Infantry. The French keep a ſtrong Garriſon in Borgoforte, and carry Cattle and other Proviſions from thence, and out of the Veroneſe, to Mantua; but the Huſſars have frequently ſurpriz'd their Convoys.

From the Harlem Courant, dated Dec. 30.

Venice, Dec. 16. The Imperialiſts are ſtrengthening the Fortifications of Mirandola and other Places, tho' the ſwelling of the Po incommodes them extremely: Some large Pieces of Timber being carried down the Stream with great force againſt the Bridge at Oſtiglia, have utterly ruin'd it. A Body of Imperialiſts went towards the Ferrareze, a Party of which coming into the Bologneze took and carry'd off a French Officer. The French fortify their Poſts in the Modeneze, and have broken down all the Stone Bridges on the Rivers, and laid Wooden ones in their Places. They write from Bolognia that the Cardinal Legate has made up 8 of the Gates of that City, and plac'd ſtrong Guards at the other 4 that are left open.

From the Harlem Courant, dated Jan. 2.

Rome, Dec. 9. There came lately 2 Expreſſes to the Pope, one from Bologna, the other from Ferrara; The firſt with Advice, that 300 of the French came to San Giovanni, a Town not far from Bologna, and after they had taken a view of the Situation of the Place, went away agen; the latter to acquaint him that the Imperialiſts had affix'd Placarts in ſeveral places of the Ferrareze, ordering the Inhabitants to bring them in Proviſion and Hay, on pain of Military Execution; which Cardinal Fourbin underſtanding, he made great Complaints of it to the Pope, and proteſted that if thoſe Placarts were allow'd of, the French would Publiſh the like; Upon which his Holineſs has ſent Order to the Legate, to forbid the Inhabitants of that Province, on penalty of being ſeverely puniſh'd, to furniſh any thing either to the Imperialiſts or the French.

From the Amſterdam Courant, dated Jan. 2.

Vienna, Dec. 20. All the Troops are in Motion towards the Frontiers of Bavaria, to endeavour to bring that Elector to reaſon; When that is done, there will be a conſiderable Force ſent into Italy; whither, (beſides the 15000 Men that are rais'd by the Hereditary Provinces), the 6000 Heydukes that are levying in Hungary, are deſign'd to be ſent.

From the Harlem Courant, dated Jan. 6.

Mantua, Dec. 14. The Marqueſs of Pracontal is poſted with ſome Troops on the Secchia, to obſerve the Imperialiſts. Laſt week he went into the Bologneſe to viſit ſeveral Poſts; whence 'tis ſuppos'd, that in caſe the Imperialiſts march into the Ferrareze, the French will draw into the Bologneze. A Party of 300 Imperial Horſe being out a ferraging near Soncino, were fallen upon by the French, who kill'd 40 of them and took 60 Priſoners. On Sunday a Party of 60 Grenadiers and 8 Dragoons of our Garriſon, encounter'd 32 Imperial Grenadiers near San Giorgio, of whom 13 were kill'd and 19 taken, who have liſted themſelves into our Service. We have likewiſe got 48 Deſerters, who will be form'd into a Company, which, when 'tis increas'd to 100 Men, will be ſent to ſerve in Flanders, whither ſome have been ſent already.

From the Amſterdam Courant, dated Jan. 6.

Venice, Dec. 22. They write from Bologna, that at the requeſt of the Cardinal Legate, Prince Eugene has ſet at liberty the French Officer who was taken by a Party of Germans within the Eccleſiaſtical Territories. And from Mantua, That the Duke of Vendome laid Siege to Governolo on the 17th, with an Army of 16000 Men.

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They write from Rome of the 16th, That Cardinal Grimani had Audience of the Pope on the 11th inſtant, when he took leave of his Holineſs, acquainting him with his Reaſons for taking a Journey to Vienna, and promiſing to return to Rome in a Month; accordingly that Night he went away Poſt.

From the Paris Gazette, dated Dec. 23.

Paris, Dec. 23. Letters from Italy of the 8th, adviſe, That ſince the taking of San-Benedetto, the 2 Armies have not made any motion: That the Duke of Vendome was gone to view the Quarters of his Troops in the Modeneze, which are extended towards the River Panaro, to the end they may be the nearer at hand to incommode the Enemies Quarters. Prince Eugene has abandon'd Concordia and all the open Country of the Dutchy of Mirandola, having drawn his Forces into Places where they may be ſecure, and not expos'd to any Inſults. The Marqueſs de Beſons has poſted ſome Troops about Berſello, in ſuch a manner, that nothing can go in or out of that Place. There are ſeveral Advices that that Garriſon is extreamly diminiſh'd by Sickneſs, and that the Horſes of 3 Troops of Cavalry that are there are reduc'd to 50.

From the Paris Gazette, dated Dec. 30.

The Advices from the Army in Italy of the 15th, tell us, that the Duke de Vendome return'd to Guaſtalla on the 12th, from viſiting the Quarters in the Modeneze, where he has diſpos'd the Troops into new Poſts on the Frontier near the Panaro, *viz.* in Buon-Porto, Baſtia, Navicella, and Nonantola, the more to incommode the Enemy, who are already very much ſtreighten'd in their Ground, and leſſen'd by Deſertion. On the 10th a Party of 80 Foot of the Garriſon of Mantua, meeting, betwixt Mantua and Oſtiglia, a Company of German Grenadiers of the Regiment of Mansfeld, defeated them entirely, killing 14 of them, and taking all the reſt Priſoners, with the Officer that commanded them.

From the Paris Gazette, a la main, dated Jan. 1.

Paris, Jan. 1. The Venetians having about 4 Months ago caus'd 2 of their Subjects to be hang'd, who had indeed been baniſh'd, but were Commiſſion-Officers in the Troops of the two united Crowns, and this notwithſtanding they were reclaim'd; the King demanded Satisfaction of them; and the Senate having reſolv'd to give it him in all the Forms, ſent to their Ambaſſador here a Patent conſtituting him Ambaſſador Extraordinary to make that Satisfaction, and on Saturday laſt he had a Publick Audience, and acquitted himſelf of that Function.

The Marſhal de Boufflers is return'd to Flanders, he arriv'd at Bruſſels on the 19th inſtant.

Two Perſons convicted of a Deſign to cut the Digues in ſeveral Places, and drown the Country of Holland, which they were to have executed ſome Months ago, were Beheaded at the Hague on the 21ſt.

Some Advices from Poland ſay, that the Republick has accepted the Mediation of the Emperor; and from Stockholm they tell us that the Engliſh Reſident there is ſetting out for Poland, to offer the Mediation of the Queen.

They write from the Hague of the 31ſt, that an Envoy from the Great Duke of Tuſcany is expected there very ſhortly, who is to go over to England to compliment the Queen on her Acceſſion to the Throne.

Falmouth, Dec. 26. Yeſterday ſailed hence the Tyger Dogger, for Leghorne; and this day ſailed the Rye Frigat, with ſeveral Ships under her Convoy for Cheſter, with the Wind at North.

Plimouth, Dec. 27. Yeſterday ſailed the Chatham Man of War a Cruizing, and the Jeſus Maria Joſeph of and for Bilboa, who has been detain'd ever ſince the War was declar'd.

Harwich, Dec. 29. This day came in here the Crown of London from Arch-Angel, laden with Hemp, Tallow, &c. who on the 20th was driven out of the Downes to the Northward, and was ſet upon by 2 French Privateers, one of 16 the other of 10 Guns, which ſhe fought for 4 hours, and at laſt got clear of both of them to this Harbour, but with great damage.

Deale, Dec. 29. All the Outward-bound Merchant Ships are now under Sail, under Convoy of Her Majeſty's Ships Ipſwich, Woolwich, Cheſter and Poſtillion; leaving in the Downes Her Majeſty's Ships Royal-Oak and Swan.

WHereas Mr. *William Fazakerley* ſtands for Chamberlain of *London*; this is to let his Friends and all Gentlemen know, that he ſtands ſolely by himſelf, and will not joyn his Intereſt with any other Perſon.

WHereas it is Induſtriouſly given out, That Sir *Robert Bedingfeild* declines ſtanding for Chamberlain of *London*; This is to let his Friends and the World know, That the Report is Falſe, Groundleſs and Malicious.

IT appears by the many Bills diſpers'd abroad, that there are ſundry Citizens put in for the Chamberlain's place now vacant, but it is generally believ'd the Citizens of *London* will now beſtow the preference of their Favour on Mr. *Dockwra*, who has oblig'd them with ſo memorable a Service, by ſetting up the Penny-Poſt, as no City in the World has the like Conveniency.

AT the Theatre Royal in *Drury-Lane*, tomorrow being Friday the Firſt of *January*, will be preſented an Opera call'd, *The Iſland Princeſs, and the Generous Portugueze*. For the Entertainment of *Senior Don Bartholomeo Bernalre Marufo* Alcayde of *Rota*, and ſeveral other Strangers lately come from *Spain*. And on Saturday next will be acted there a Play called, *Oronoko*. With ſeveral Entertainments of Dancing by Monſieur *Du'ru'el* lately come from the Opera at *Paris*, being a Schollar of the Famous Monſieur *Pettour*.

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